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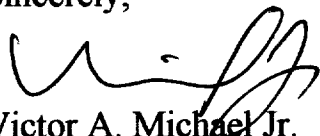
December 21, 1998

Magalie Roman Salas, Esquire
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Room 222
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20554

Dear Ms. Salas,

Enclosed is an original and four copies of a Petition for Rule Making to amend the FM table of allotments for a new FM broadcast station for El Jebel, Colorado.

Sincerely,



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In the matter of:)
)
Amendment of Section 73.202 (b))
) RM-_____
Table of Allotments)
)
FM Broadcast Stations)
)
(El Jebel, Colorado)

PETITION FOR RULE MAKING

In this petition, Mountain West Broadcasting is hereby requesting to allot channel 263A (100.5 Mhz) to El Jebel, Colorado as its first local FM allotment.

INTRODUCTION

1. This statement is a petition for rule making to allot FM channel 263A (100.5 Mhz) to El Jebel and add it to the Commission's FM table of allotments, 73.202. The following will show the need for an FM channel and the effects the allotment of Channel 263A to El Jebel will have.

DISCUSSION

2. El Jebel is located in Central Colorado. It is also located within Eagle County, a county of some 21,928 persons. El Jebel has a population of 900 persons in accordance with the 1998 Rand McNally Road Atlas, which is based on 1990 census data.

3. The allotment of channel 263A to El Jebel will provide the first local broadcast facility to the community and/or the surrounding area. The closest FM allotment to El Jebel is located at Basalt, Colorado. Basalt is located 7 kilometers from El Jebel. El Jebel while not incorporated, has many retail businesses as it is located on the congested highway 82 which leads to Aspen, Colorado. El Jebel has also seen dramatic growth and is estimated to have a population of over 1,000 persons.

It is obvious that from the above spacing that El Jebel is presently without local FM service.

4. El Jebel would greatly benefit from an FM allotment due to the fact there is no AM or FM broadcast facilities within 7 Kilometers of El Jebel. Because of this, it would have an outlet for local self expression. Health and safety for the community would be increased due to having a local communications outlet for warning the El Jebel area of emergency conditions caused by severe weather or other health hazards.

5. Channel 263A can be allotted to El Jebel and meet all rules and requirements of the Commission. The instant proposal will not cause a change in the channel number or a deletion of any channel now appearing in the Commission's table of allotments 73.202.

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
El Jebel, Colorado	-----	263A

6. In accordance with 73.207 of the Commission's rules, "Minimum Distance Separations between Stations", all allotments on Channel 263A and the pertinent adjacent channels to 263A have been studied with the results listed in Figure 1 of this petition. The geographic coordinates used for the spacing

Study (N 39 - 23' - 42", W. 107 - 06' - 29") are that of a site located 1.6 kilometers west of the community of El Jebel. A site restriction of 1.6 kilometers northwest will be required to allot channel 263A to El Jebel. Many suitable transmitter sites are available to provide city grade coverage (3.16 mv/m or 70 dbu) to the entire community of El Jebel. These sites would also provide full minimum spacing requirements to other allotments.

CONCLUSION

7. It has been shown that El Jebel would benefit from the allotment of channel 263A. It has also been shown that channel 263A can be allotted to El Jebel and meet all rules regarding spacing from other stations. Considering these two facts, Mountain West Broadcasting hereby requests that the Federal Communications Commission institute a Rule Making proceeding to amend the Table of Allotments to include channel 263A for El Jebel, Colorado , 73.202.

8. Should channel 263A be allotted to El Jebel, I certify that I will file an application for a Construction Permit to operate an FM station for El Jebel, Colorado.

CERTIFICATION

9. I certify that I have prepared or directly supervised the preparation of this entire Petition for Rule Making, and that the facts contained within are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, accurate and true.

Dated: December 20, 1998

Respectfully submitted,



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MAPFM search of channel 263A6 (100.5 MHz), at N. 39 23 42, W. 107 6 29.

Searching Channel 263A6 (100.5 MHz):

CALL	CITY	ST	CHN	CL	S	DIST	SEPN	BRNG	CLEARANCE
K210AH	Eagle	CO	210	D	L	47.8	0.0	28.1°	47.8
K210BO	Aspen	CO	210	D	L	31.9	0.0	127.2°	31.9
KPRE	Vail	CO	210	A	L	62.8	10.0	64.9°	52.8
ALC	Fruita	CO	260	C	U	146.2	95.0	255.5°	51.2
KEKB	Fruita	CO	260	C	L	146.2	95.0	255.5°	51.2
K261AI	Glenwood Springs	CO	261	D	L	25.9	0.0	316.2°	25.9
K261AJ	Snowmass-At-Aspen	CO	261	D	L	26.0	0.0	138.5°	26.0
K261AK	Basalt	CO	261	D	L	4.7	0.0	173.3°	4.7
ALC	Denver	CO	262	C	U	178.3	165.0	79.6°	13.3
KIMN	Denver	CO	262	C	L	165.2	165.0	79.3°	0.2
KIMN	Denver	CO	262	C	L	165.2	165.0	79.3°	0.2
ALC	Durango	CO	263	C1	U	246.5	200.0	196.2°	46.5
KRSJ	Durango	CO	263	C1	L	246.5	200.0	196.2°	46.5
ALC	Pueblo	CO	264	C	U	241.0	165.0	112.0°	76.0
ALC	Grand Junction	CO	264	C1	U	129.7	133.0	253.8°	-3.3
KBFE	Grand Junction	CO	264	C1	C	145.9	133.0	255.5°	12.9
KBFE	Grand Junction	CO	264	C1	A	145.9	133.0	255.5°	12.9
KGFT	Pueblo	CO	264	C	L	207.4	165.0	110.3°	42.4
K265CS	Carbondale	CO	265	D	L	23.1	0.0	278.5°	23.1
ALC	Denver	CO	266	C	U	165.2	95.0	77.0°	70.2
KOSI	Denver	CO	266	C	L	165.2	95.0	77.0°	70.2

FIGURE 1
CHANNEL SPACING STUDY
EL JEBEL, COLORADO
MOUNTAIN WEST BROADCASTING

